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#### Forms and Data Dictionary Regulations

Cal/EPA is preparing to file proposed regulations modifying a number of CUPA to State reporting forms, Business to CUPA reporting forms, and the underlying data dictionary. The regulations are expected to be filed in mid-March this year. When filed, the package will be online on the Cal/EPA web site under Laws/Regulations and also at the Unified Program web site in the News block. Interested parties will be able to subscribe to the Listserv for this proposed regulation to get all updates at the same site. For more information, see the web site or contact Loretta Sylve at <a href="mailto:lsylve@calepa.ca.gov">lsylve@calepa.ca.gov</a> or (916) 327-9558.

#### **Title 27 Administrative Cleanup Regulations**

Cal/EPA filed the final package for the Administrative Cleanup Regulations with the Office of Administrative Law on Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. The reorganized and cleaned up regulations should become official about May 2<sup>nd</sup> if OAL and Secretary of state take the full 30 days each in final processing. For more information, see the web site or contact Mary Wilson at <a href="mailto:mwilson@calepa.ca.gov">mwilson@calepa.ca.gov</a> or (916) 445-5049.

#### **State Water Resources Control Board**

#### **Government-owned Tanks Compliance Report**

The State's report to Federal EPA on the compliance status of government-owned tanks is due this summer. Toward this end, the State Water Board is drafting a letter and reporting form to be sent to the CUPA's to collect this information by May 30, 2007.

Government-owned tanks refer to all Federal, State, and Local government tanks. The report will document all government-owned tanks that are "Out of Compliance" at the time of the report. Compliance reporting is based on the following criteria, as outlined in Federal guidance: notification, corrosion protection, overfill prevention, spill prevention, tank and piping leak detection, tanks and piping repair, secondary containment, financial responsibility, and temporary closure. The report requires the identification of the tank, the tank owner, facility address, violation citation (violations of the above-noted criteria), date of last inspection, and the actions taken or will be taken (informal, formal, negotiating settlement, undetermined, or other) to ensure compliance.

Once the transmittal letter and reporting form are final, they will be sent to all CUPA's.

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#### Enhanced Leak Detection (ELD) Follow-up -new Geotracker Tools

As of the end of February 2007, a total of 48 CUPA's have provided updates. To save time and effort for everyone, we are reiterating our request for you to check the July 2006 spreadsheets we emailed and update them. That way, we can use the most current data in our future mail outs. If you provide us with information that the site is closed, ELD test results, or the tank owner provides ELD test results, we can skip the RFR process for those sites. If you haven't submitted your update, this is your last chance to do so. The next mailing is scheduled for March.

To assist you with this project and other UST program tracking, the State Water Board has added several enhancements to Geotracker. Please make sure that all of your active sites are in Geotracker, and that they are correctly located. This will be a tremendous help when Requests for Reconsideration are processed.

Thanks again to the CUPAs for all of your efforts in this process.

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#### **Proposed Rulemaking Packages**

In conjunction with CalEPA, the State Water Board is working on a rulemaking package to change certain elements of Title 27. Proposed changes to Title 27 include updating all underground storage tank permitting forms. Other proposed changes to Title 27 include updating the tank installation certification and the monitoring plan forms. Report 6 information requirements are being updated and other minor changes to fix inconsistencies in Title 23 are being made.

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#### **Department of Toxic Substances Control**

#### **Online Hazardous Waste Classification Training**

The California Hazardous Waste Classification online training course is now up and running. The course can be viewed at <a href="http://ccelearn.csus.edu/wasteclass/">http://ccelearn.csus.edu/wasteclass/</a>. This interactive course will provide inspectors, CUPA staff, and businesses with information on the proper classification and understanding of hazardous waste, and hazardous waste classification laws and regulations. This course covers hazardous waste identification through different characteristics and listings, exclusions from the waste classification requirements, test methods used to measure the characteristics of wastes, and information on how to determine whether a waste is a federally regulated (RCRA) or a California regulated (non-RCRA) hazardous waste. This course was developed through a contract with California State University of Sacramento using training material developed by Corey Yep

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